

Sepsis/Shock Content

Lewis-42

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On-line Content (1hr)

Learning Objectives:

- Compare the effects of shock, sepsis, systemic inflammatory response syndrome, and multiple organ dysfunction on the major body systems. (1,2)*
- Compare the interprofessional care, drug therapy, and nursing management of patients with different types of shock. (1,5,6)*
- Describe the interprofessional care and nursing management of a patient experiencing multiple organ dysfunction syndrome. (1,2,6)*

*Course Objectives

Assignment:

Read Lewis Chapter 42

Copy and paste the following website into your search bar:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=99rvWDSDuvo>

Watch the short video and read Rory Staunton's story as told by his parents.

Answer the following questions related to sepsis and Rory's story:

1. Discuss how this case makes you feel as a parent or family member. This case makes me utterly sad. As a family member and one day parent, I feel heartbroken for that a life was lost due to something that was preventable. I would then be so hesitant to trust anyone because they put so much trust in the school, the nurses and the doctors to help take care of their kid and it ended in a tragedy.
2. Discuss how this case makes you feel as a nurse. As a nurse, this makes me feel disappointed to know that proper steps weren't taken because it was "just a little cut". Cleaning off the cut should've been the first thing that was done no matter where or how it happened. I am also disappointed that the signs of septic shock or an infection were not known by the doctors or nurses so that treatment could be started, even with a little antibiotic.

3. Discuss the actual or possible “failures” in this scenario. The actual “failures” in this video were not cleaning off the cut when it initially happened. Again, like I said before, one of the first things you do no matter where or how it happened should be to clean off the cut. Another “failure” was by the medical professionals at the hospital that had a lack of knowledge about septic shock and the signs and started to try to start treating it when it was way too late.
4. How will you use what you learned from Rory’s case as a nurse, and how will this information guide your future practice? This information will guide me in all areas that I pursue in nursing. I know to never skip steps no matter how minor I think they are. Even if you think not doing something won’t affect the patient, just do it anyways because you can never be too careful or too preventative.

Place your answers to these questions in the **Unit 8 Shock Dropbox by 0800 on 3/24/2025**. Be prepared to share and discuss your thoughts in class.

In order to receive full credit (1 hour class time) for this assignment, it must be completed in its entirety by the due date/time assigned. Any assignments not completed in its entirety will result in missed class time and must be completed by the end of the semester to pass the course.